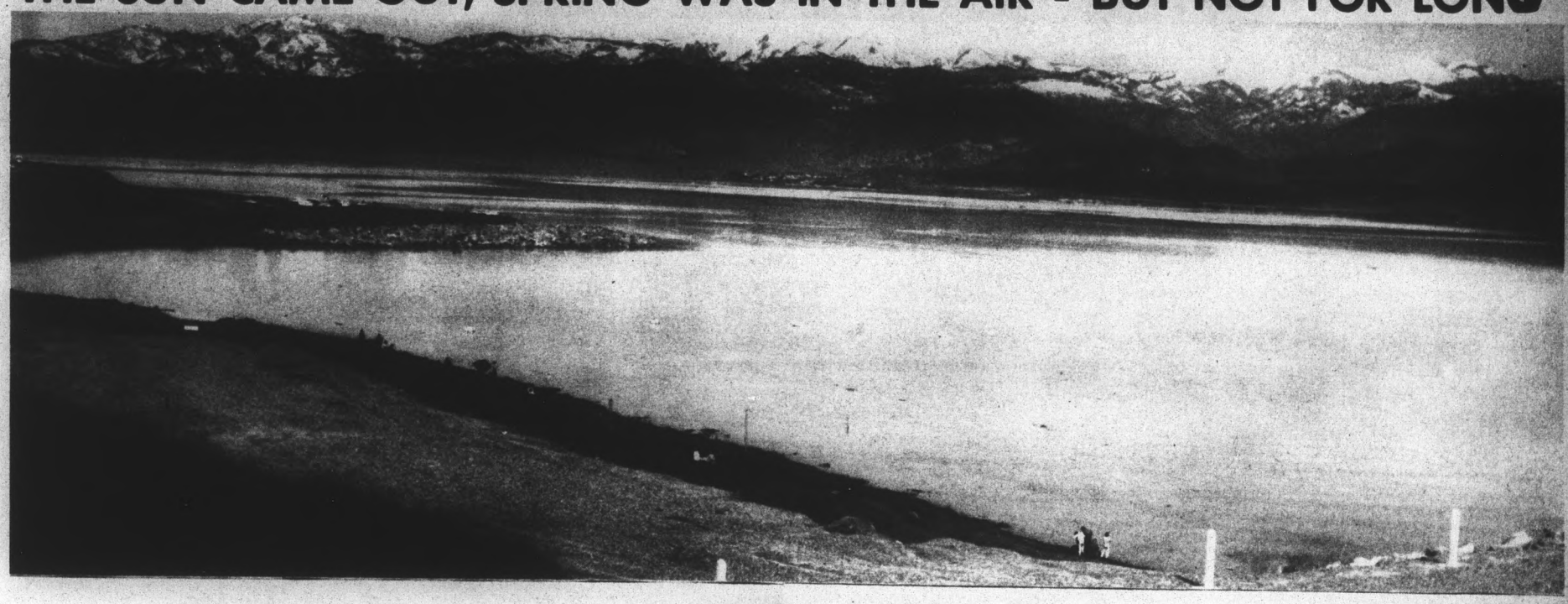
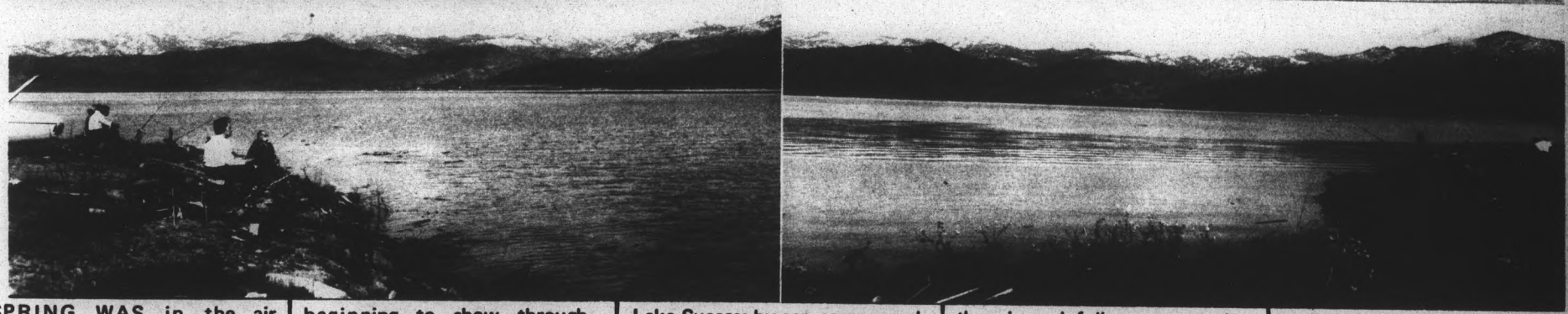
THE SUN CAME OUT, SPRING WAS IN THE AIR - BUT NOT FOR LONG





SPRING WAS in the air, Sunday. The sun was warm, skies were clear, hillside grass was green with wildflowers beginning to show through, snow gleamed on the Sierra - and picnickers, sight-seers, and fishermen moved to the shore of Lake Success by car, camper and motorcycle. Brown water and debris on the lake recalled the recent storms. But Spring was in the air and folks were on the move. It didn't last, however. By early evening, clouds were back in, and rain fell again during the night. But at least, Spring was here for a few hours.

(Farm Tribune photos)

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3,600 STUDENTS COMING FOR MUSIC AND FINE ARTS FESTIVAL IN PORTERVILLE

PORTERVILLE - Music will be in the air as 3,600 students from Tulare and Kings counties schools participate in annual Music and Fine Arts festival on the Porterville High School campus, Friday and Saturday.

Buck Shaffer, general chairman for the event, states that on Friday 17 bands and orchestras plus 24 vocal groups will perform, totalling some 3,000 students. On Saturday, nine elementary school groups, totalling 600 students, will participate, and more than 400 students in three honor groups will be rehearsing for a Saturday night public performance in the Memorial auditorium.

All school groups will be rated by three different judges, or comments presented for benefit of the conductor. Judging will be against a common standard of quality performance, rather than one group against another, with ratings of superior, excellent and

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Saddle Club, Junior Chamber Of Commerce Join Forces To Produce Porterville Rodeo

PORTERVILLE - Two Porterville organizations - the Orange Belt Saddle club and the Junior chamber of commerce - have joined forces to produce the annual Porterville rodeo, scheduled this year for June 20-21 at the Rocky Hill arena.

Each organization has placed three representatives on a new group, the Porterville Rodeo association, that will handle all phases of rodeo planning and promotion, and will maintain financial records.

Serving on the new association as representatives of the Orange Belt Saddle club are: Larry Southard, chairman; John Emery, president of the Saddle club; and Dolph Smith. Representing the Junior chamber of commerce are: Fred

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A NEW organization, the Porterville Rodeo association, has been officially formed to produce the annual Porterville Rodeo, set for June 20-21, in the Rocky Hill arena east of Porterville. The association, composed of three members from both the Orange Belt Saddle club and the Porterville Junior chamber of commerce, will handle all aspects of the rodeo. Signing the official agreement were, from left, seated: Doub Webb, president of the Junior chamber of commerce, and John Emery, president of the Saddle club. Seated at right is Fred Church; standing are Vern Onstine and Bert Lawrence, of the Junior chamber. Other Saddle club representatives are Larry Southard, president of the new association, and Dolph Smith.

(Farm Tribune photo)

CANTERBELLE HORSE SHOW

PORTERVILLE - Twenty-nine events are listed for the ninth annual Open Horse show that will be staged by the Porterville Canterbelles Sunday, March 9, at the Porterville Fair Grounds arena. Events will get underway at 8:30 a.m.

Top award - a high point buckle - will go to the high point winner in the 13 years and under classification and to the 14 years and over group. Ribbons will be awarded in each class from first through fifth.

Events include: Trail horse, showmanship at halter, bareback equitation, western pleasure,

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Springville Invites Entries In Rodeo Parade

SPRINGVILLE - Entry blanks are now available for the 10 divisions that will be included in the western parade that will open Springville's rodeo weekend on April 12, with Parade Chairman Brent Gill stating that trophies will go to the first three places in each of the divisions.

Parade entry forms can be requested from Gill by mail - 33981 Globe Drive, Porterville 93257, or by telephoning 539-2495. Parade entries will close on April 1.

All parade participants will receive a gate pass for the Saturday afternoon rodeo performance, April 12. Parade trophies will be presented in the arena by Bob Wiley, Tulare County sheriff at 1 p.m.

Parade divisions have been set up for: Bands, floats, baton groups, individual baton twirlers, silver mounted riders, large mounted groups, small mounted

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DEDICATION AND OPEN HOUSE IS SE FOR AGRICULTURE BUILDING MAR. 1

VISALIA - Open house and dedication ceremony at the Tulare County Agriculture building in the County Civic center at Visalia has been set for Sunday, March 16, with principal speaker to be Dr. James V. Kendrick, vice president in charge of Agricultural Sciences at the University of California, Berkeley.

Open house at the new building will be held between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m., with guided tours through the building; dedication ceremony is set for 3 p.m., outside if the weather permits, or, if not, in the building's auditorium.

Master of cermonies will be Don Hillman, chairman of the Tulare County board of supervisors; in charge of program arrangements is D. Wayne Robertson, secretary-manager of the Tulare County chamber of commerce. The public is invited

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Farmers Hurting

PORTERVILLE - Although the sun has appeared a few times this week and reports are that storms may be slacking off, farmers in this area and in many areas of the San Joaquin valley are hurting as a result of prolonged rains and flooding runoff water.

Planting of new alfalfa and grains has been halted in a number of cases; barley and wheat fields that are in have drowned out in low sections if on uneven ground; generally fields are yellowing and growth is slow.

Even the best fields look only

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New Instructor, New Class At Horseshoeing School

PORTERVILLE - Things are different at the Porterville Horseshoeing school this week as a new class moves in - No. 19 - and a new instructor takes over.

Replacing Hank McEwan, who had handled instruction since the school was started more than four years ago, is David Tyler, who graduated from the school about three years ago.

Tyler is a native of Modesto and was raised in Patterson. He attended Modesto junior college and studied horseshoeing during the two years that he attended

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CHINESE NEW YEAR

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It's Chinese New Year, the year of the Rooster - all week - at Gang Sue's in Porterville where something special is going on every night.

Tonight, and today, March 6, it's free gifts and Gang says, "Bring the family." Tomorrow night, Friday, it's Chinese Gourmet dinner time at 7 p.m. - but you need reservations for this one. Dancing will follow to the music of Ralph Hays and Bill Ingram.

Saturday it's fire cracker night, with 5,000 firecrackers on hand with the traditional Lion dance between 9 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Dancing will again follow with the Hays-Ingram combo.

On Sunday, it's free champagne cocktails, from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m.

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Editorial Comment

SOME DOES COME BACK, BUT ...

If it helps any while one is preparing or putting off preparing that annual contribution to federal government, some of the money does come back to the state, presumably to our benefit.

Of the fiscal 1970 federal budget of $195 billion, 11.31 percent will filter back to California. That's just a little under $25 billion. Only New York will get more: $25.9 billion, or 11.75 percent.

Welcome as such a return must be, there are many who question the necessity of sending so much to Washington, having a goodly portion of it stick to the coffers there, and the rest come trudging back to do what we presumably could have done with much of it ourselves, without the handling fee.

"GENERATION" OPENS AT BARN ON MARCH 21

PORTERVILLE - In production now and pointed for opening night March 21 at the Porterville Barn theater, is the New York hit, "Generation," written by William Goodhart.

Star of the show will be Richard Newman, currently president of the Barn theater board; featured will be two newcomers, Eva and Bill Goode, rounding out the cast are, Jack Havery, Jeff Franklin and Dr. Walter Carpenter.

Directing the production is Gary Garlund, assisted by Beverly Gorne and Barbara Worthington. Handling set design and construction is Larry Cotta.

"Generation" is scheduled for the Barn stage March 21, 22, 28, 29, and April 4, 5.

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CALIFORNIA SPEAKS

B. F. BIAGGINI, SP pres., on featherbedding—"We need to find ways to motivate the average employe to relate himself personally to the cost and profit picture in the business for which he works."

MRS. DONG KINGMAN, author-lecturer wife of noted artist, visiting California — "The most important thing for a woman is to be herself always, to have her own identity, her own mental stimulation, career interests."

MORRIS (RED) RUDENSKY, reformed safe cracker, now author, on L.A. visit — "You don't repay your debt to society in prison. You do it on the outside."

Mutual Economic Goals For County To Be Discussed

VISALIA - Mutual goals affecting the total economy of Tulare county, and methods of how to achieve these goals, will be among the subjects discussed at the Annual Chamber Presidents' dinner, March 13, co-hosted by the Southern California Gas company and the Tulare County chamber of commerce.

Maynard L. Faught, president of the Tulare County chamber of commerce, said the presidents and other leaders from 18 chambers of commerce in Tulare county will be honored guests at the dinner, and members of the board of supervisors will be special guests.

Faught said that "this meeting will act as a sounding board for the discussion of promotional ideas and projects for the entire county. The many chambers of commerce throughout the county will work cooperatively to bring into sharper focus items that would enhance the image of the county and contribute to Tulare county's economic posture.

"Such items as agriculture, industry, recreation and education will be explored as possible projects for achievement".

The dinner will be held in the newly remodeled headquarters building of the Southern California Gas company at 101 South Floral street in Visalia. A reception at 6:30 p.m. will precede the dinner; Harvey Krammes, division manager, and Bill Schenck, local manager, will be co-hosts along with Faught.

BOOKS FOR men in Vietnam - paperback books - are being collected in Porterville as a Porterville Junior chamber of commerce project, with containers placed in a number of business locations, including Thrifty Drug, Asahi liquor, Beneficial Finance company, Penney's, Porterville Lanes, and all banks. Persons wishing to donate books can drop them in any of the containers, or, they can phone 784-6058 after 5:30 p.m. and arrangement can be made to pick up books. The campaign will continue through March 31. In photo, Mayor Marty Martin makes a contribution, with John Simonich, chairman of the Jaycee Books for Vietnam committee, and Fred Reidel, Beneficial Finance manager, looking on.

(Farm Tribune photo)

REDDY KILOWATT AND BUGS BUNNY GIVE KITE FLYING SAFETY RULES

"DON'T fly a kite in the rain . . . DON'T fly a kite with metallic string . . . and DON'T fly a kite with metal in the frame or tail . . ."

These are but a few of Reddy Kilowatt's and Bugs Bunny's words of advice presented in comic book form that are being distributed to school children during February and March by the Southern California Edison company.

Nearly one million such mini-comic "Kite Fun and Safety" books are offered to primary grade schools each year at this time, according to W. R. Dougher, Edison district manager in Porterville.

In the Porterville area, for example, more than 3,600 Kite Fun Books have been distributed by an Edison representative, he said.

In addition to a color comic sequence on kite flying, this year's Kite Fun Book gives youngsters six basic safety rules and offers instructions for making a variety of kites and accessories.

Other safety rules than those above include:

* Don't cross streets or highways while flying kites.
* Don't use tinsel, wire, or any twine with metal in it.
* Don't fly a kite over TV or radio antennas.
* Don't fly a kite near electric power lines and don't try to retrieve a kite caught in power lines, or in trees near power lines.

"THE CRUCIBLE" OPENS MARCH 14 FOR TWO-WEEKEND COLLEGE RUN

PORTERVILLE - Casting for the play, "The Crucible" to be performed at Porterville college, has been completed. Director John Holden has announced that the Arthur Miller drama of the Salem Witch trials of 1692 will be presented in the College theater beginning March 14, and will run for two weekends.

Shirley Hughes will play the role of Abigale Williams whose spiteful lies make her the leader of the accusers. Her desire for John Proctor, a young farmer portrayed by Steve Kurtz, launches the accusations.

Proctor's wife Elizabeth, played by Deborah Unser, is a victim of lies. Mrs. Ethel Rabbon is Tituba, a slave from Barbados. She belongs to Rev. Pharris, played by Ed Dennis, the local parson who is more interested in witchcraft than in God.

Holly Lawson plays his daughter, Betty. Rev. Hale, Ric Traeger, is a young cleric who has been called in to help with the witch hunt. Robert Briscoe is Governor Danforth, a self-righteous man who presides over the trials.

Mrs. Mary Koehler will be Rebecca Nurse, a highly respected woman in the community. Francis Nurse, Rebecca's husband, is played by Alan Weathers.

Louis LaVon is Giles Corey, an old man of strong convictions. Ron Bechtel will be Thomas Putnam, a greedy landowner, and Gina Powers plays his wife, Ann, a woman who is convinced of the Devil's presence. Kevin Buckner as Susanna Wallcott, Alayne Brown as Mercy Lewis, and Rhonda Hisaw, as Mary Warren, are three of the accusers.

Terry Bergfalk as Sarah Good is an innocent victim of the trials. Peter Faure is Judge Hathorne, the presiding town official. Mark Williams will play Ezekial Cheever, the court clerk who serves the warrants for arrest.

All but Briscoe, a high school teacher, Mrs. Koehler, a Porterville college instructor, and Mrs. Rabbon, are students at Porterville College.

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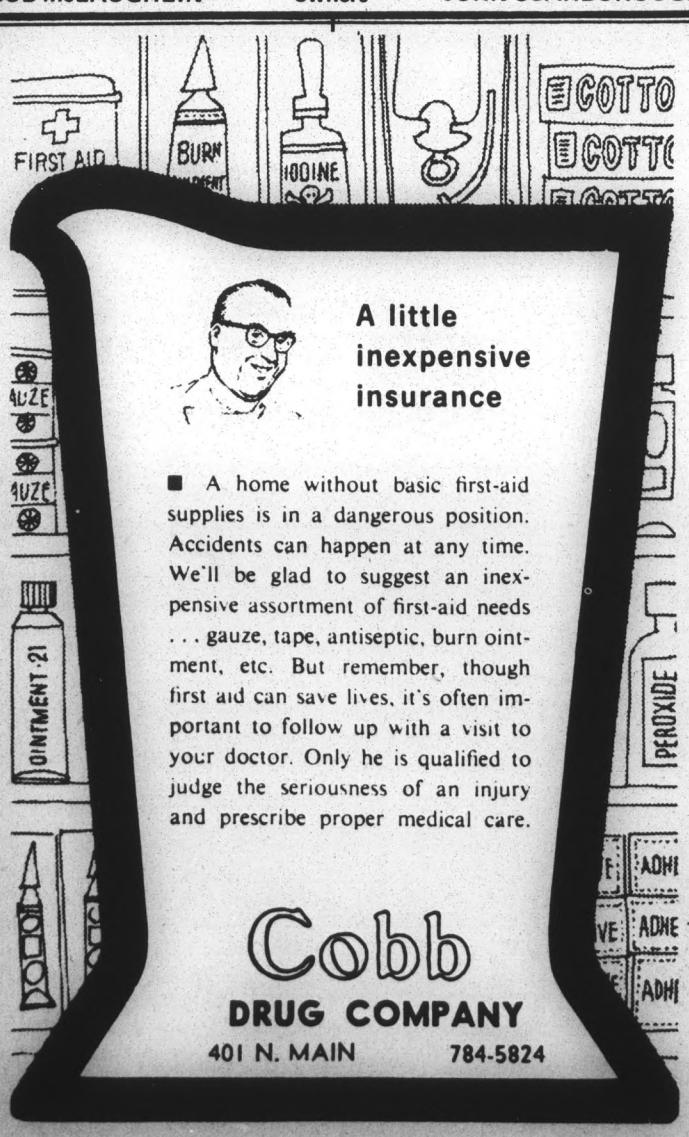

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A RIVER? Nope. It's Freeway 99 at Earlimart during the recent storms; overpass is avenue 56 that goes into Ducor. Cause of the trouble was flood waters from White River and Deer Creek; for several days 99 traffic was diverted onto Expressway 65, which was only one of several detours for traffic on 99 between Bakersfield and Sacramento.

(Farm Tribune photo)

"Join Crusade For Conservation" Theme For Week

SACRAMENTO - "Join the crusade for conservation" is the theme of the 33rd annual observance of California Conservation week, March 7-14.

The Department of Fish and Game urges sportsmen and conservationists throughout the state to join in the effort, which stresses the importance of conservation education for youngsters.

Governor Ronald Reagan, honorary chairman of California Conservation week, noted in a statement that state law now requires, for the first time, that schools provide courses of instruction on the conservation of our natural resources and man's relation to his natural environment.

NEARLY TWO MILLION DOLLARS FOR VALLEY

VISALIA - Southern California Gas Co.'s $27.6 million plant and equipment budget for 1969 includes $1,962,100 to meet the gas service needs of customers in its San Joaquin Valley division, according to Division Manager W. H. Krammes.

We Only Heard

BY BILL RODGERS

STICK WITH it, Ronnie baby. We don't want a withholding tax in California . . . Let folks pay their own taxes. Let taxing agencies collect their own taxes.

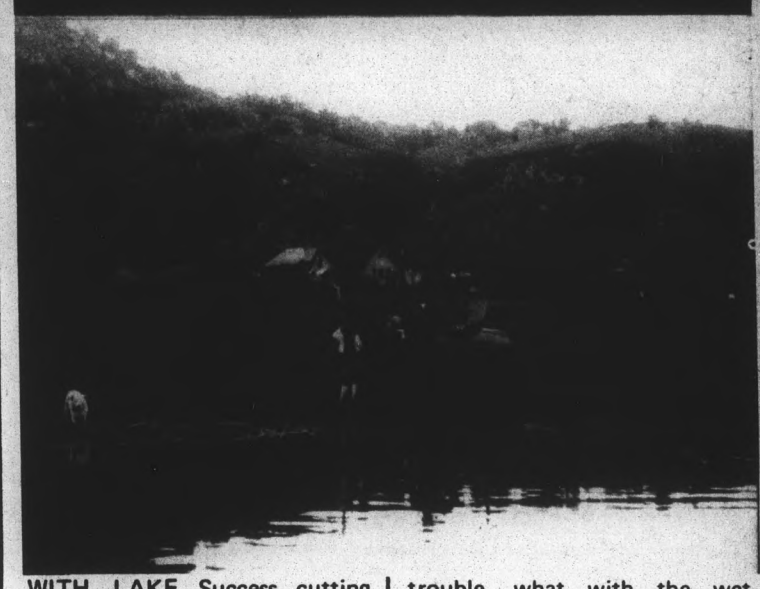
WE THOUGHT we had really hit on a great story when Harry Brown brought in a letter addressed to his telephone number in Porterville - a letter that was delivered. We complimented Bob Crabtree whose place of business is the federal reservation known as a postoffice, admitting that maybe we have written too much about the bad and silly things that happen in connection with mail delivery and not enough about the extra effort that is often made to get the mail through . . . Bob told us that many letters are addressed to telephone numbers and someone on the postoffice staff figures out an address from the telephone book . . . In fact he says that it appears a goodly number of the informed American citizenry seem to think that the zip code number is the telephone number . . . Hmmm. Guess we'll dial a zip code and see what happens.

HEY NOW. It's awful quiet on the city political front - and election day, April 1, is only 25 days away . . . It's about time someone kicked some wood on the fire and pulled the lid off the pot . . . Quiet elections without the discussion of issues and the taking of positions by candidates, are bad, bad, bad.

DEMONSTRATION REPORTS GIVEN AT BURTON 4-H

BURTON - The Burton 4-H February meeting opened with a summary report on the demonstrations to be presented at the 4-H Field day March 8, and Mrs. Verne Hayward announced that a 4-H Leader Demonstration Training meeting will be held Sunday, March 2, at the Edison Community building.

Lynette Pratt reported on the club's beef project tour; Guido Lombardi handed out entry forms and pamphlets on the Cow Palace show in March; Debbie Churchill was the chairman of the refreshment committee; Keith Smotherman and Ronnie Cates lead the flag salutes. President Mark Crane presided.



WITH LAKE Success cutting them off on one side and boggy, washed-out roads on the other, the Gerald Mason family has two choices if they want to get away from their ranch home on the east side of Rocky hill - a Terra Tiger or a boat. The family, Mr. and Mrs. Mason, Rhett, Tonya and Brett, are shown above with the six-wheel Terra Tiger that travels on land or water, and is being used daily to salt cattle and to take the youngsters out to the Frazier Valley highway to catch the Citrus South Tule school bus. Even horses have trouble, what with the wet weather, because of slides and bogs in the foothill country. The Masons live on the old Ray Kincaid place, and since the lake came up, "just aren't having many visitors." Cap't. Jack Kenyon took a couple of Farm Tribune representatives to the Mason home last week - by boat, and there's no doubt about it, the Masons are isolated. But unlike many less fortunate families in the flat lands, their home is still dry.

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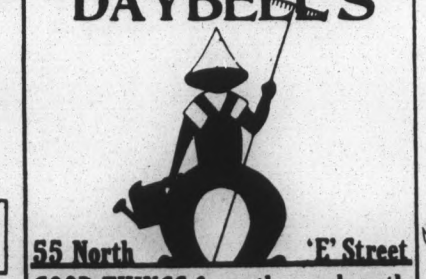

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JACKASS MAIL WILL HEAD FOR HILLS COME APRIL 5 A.M.; LUNCH ENROUTE

PORTERVILLE - The old west, as it probably never was except on TV, will be recreated April 5, when the Jackass Mail makes its eighth annual run from Porterville to Springville.

Official horse-drawn mail wagon will carry letters, bearing the Jackass Mail stamp and a U. S. postage stamp, down the section of the old Emigrant trail that is now Porterville's Main street and on into the foothills for delivery to the Springville post office, from where the regular U.S. mail takes over.

Tulare County Cow Belles will serve a barbecue beef lunch at noon somewhere along the Tule river; the Springville chamber of commerce will have a fish fry ready to go when the mail pulls in.

Great festivities mark the leaving of the mail at 8 a.m. or thereabouts from the Porterville city hall and its arrival at Springville in the late afternoon, as well as at all times and places along the trail enroute.

Only horse-drawn vehicles and horseback riders are allowed in the official contingent (about 500 persons participated last year); saddle bums, trail tramps, lovely ladies, men of dignity and distinction, and various and sundry characters are invited to participate.

No advance signup is necessary, riders and teamsters need only show up at the appointed time and place, or join in along the trail. All persons riding in the Jackass Mail do so at their own risk and volition.

Those persons who cannot stand the rigors of the trail are invited to travel by horseless carriage to site of the noon lunch and join with fearless frontiersmen in partaking of the bountiful repast served by the Cow Belles.

Persons desiring to ride on wagons must make their own arrangements. The Jackass Mail committee assumes no responsibility for securing wagons for individuals, nor does it make any seats available on the official vehicles.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Porterville chamber of commerce, P.O. Box 488, Porterville 93257, or telephone 784-7502.

ATTEMPTED INSURRECTION within the Jackass Mail was quelled last Friday night at a special emergency plenary session held in the Mountain Lion saloon, when the leader of the reform element composed of bird watchers, taffy pullers, and flower pickers, was confronted by Doc Small and Big John Hall with his bull whip et. al. After a period of reasoning together, Prof. Jerraldo O'Haraianon, center with whip around his neck, graciously concluded that he would cease and desist in his efforts to create a new image for the Jackass Mail and join up with those trail tramps and saddle bums who make the running of the mail the deplorable, adult event that it is. With the establishment now back in the saddle and kicking up trail dust in all directions, it can be editorially stated that the 1969 mail run from Porterville to Springville on April 5, will be, as usual, an historic event of considerably more than surpassing importance. From left, in above mob scene: Doc Hisself; Connie Hammond; Big John; "Hoss" Hammond; W. B. Rodgers, a past wagon master; the professor; Bent Finger Tom, 1968 wagonmaster; Annie Oakley; and an unidentified trail rider, Bill Ellsworth.

(Village Idiot photo)

EASTER SEAL CAMPAIGN IS NOW UNDERWAY

VISALIA - Thomas P. Boyer of Visalia has been named chairman of the Tulare County 1969 Easter Seal campaign sponsored by the Easter Seal Society for Cirppled Children of Tulare county, local Easter Seal affiliate. The fund appeal is running from March 1 through Easter Sunday, April 6.

About 45,000 homes in Tulare County will receive Easter Seals in the mail, and additional funds will be raised for the Easter Seal organization through a series of special events and activities planned by other community groups on behalf of the crippled children and adults the society serves.

The Tulare County society is an affiliate of the Easter Seal Society for Crippled Children and Adults of California and of the National Easter Seal Society, dedicated to serving all handicapped persons regardless of age, cause of crippling, race, religion, or economic status.

A half million sportsmen in California fish for striped bass each year.

"TONIGHT ON BROADWAY" MAR. 28 AS SHELTERED WORKSHOP BENEFIT

PORTERVILLE - "Tonight On Broadway," a professional stage show, will be presented in the Memorial auditorium the evening of March 28 under sponsorship of the Bakersfield Lions club as a benefit for the Porterville Sheltered Workshop. Curtain time is 8 p.m.

In the cast are Roy Baumgart, ventriloquist; Laurie Anderson, singer and dancer; Kent Christensen, baritone soloist; The Newpholk Singers; the Fourth Dimension Combo; and Patti Royal, singing and dancing star of the show.

Musical highlights from New York hit shows, songs from Tin Pan Alley, music, comedy, and a touch of vaudeville give variety to the show.

Money raised will go into the Sheltered Workshop fund of the Breakfast Lions, the organization that spearheaded a drive to construct the present Sheltered Workshop building.

Other local organizations and individuals supported the project, but it was the Lions club that borrowed sufficient money and assumed the financial responsibility to complete the project.

PORTERVILLE RODEO

(Continued From Page 1)

Church, Vern Onstine and Bert Lawrence.

General membership of the two organizations will handle various jobs in connection with the rodeo. Major assignment of repairing and improving arena facilities goes to the Saddle club, while the Junior chamber takes on the responsibility of rodeo program advertising promotion and sales, in addition to general promotion of the rodeo. The two organizations will operate on a "50-50" financial agreement.

Southard states that date for the 1969 show has been moved further into the summer to get away from conflict with other annual local events. The RCA-approved, professional rodeo will feature two night performances.

Stock contract has been signed with the Golden State Rodeo company, of Brawley, headed by Ed. Rutherford, Cotton Rosser, and Lex Connolly. One of professional rodeo's pioneer competitors and stock contractors, Andy Jauregui, acts as consultant and arena director.

Working with the re-organized rodeo production group, Porterville merchants will participate in a community-wide Western week, June 16-21.

The Porterville rodeo, originally the Porterville Roundup, was started 21 years ago by the Orange Belt Saddle club. It has consistently drawn world-champion performers and was featured on the nationally televised "Wide World of Sports" program.

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SCOTT McCLURE, left, won a Strathmore Lions club speaking contest last Thursday night at Gang Sue's, with the other contestants, Barbara Curbow, and Bill Tickel, in above photo. McClure will compete in a zone contest set for tonight at The

Two Bakersfield men have top spots in the California sportsmen's setup - Jim Camp is president of the Fish and Game commission; Ray Arnett is director of the Department of Fish and Game.

Paul Bunyan, with club winners from Springville, Terra Bella, Lindsay, Porterville Breakfast Lions and Porterville Noon Lions. The annual Lions club speaking contest carries winners through regional, district, area, and California-Nevada competition. Subject this year is, "The Hopes and Fears Of Today's Youth."

(Farm Tribune photo)

The Farm Tribune BILLBOARD

MARCH

6-County YMCA dinner, Visalia
7-8-High School Music Festival
9-Canterbelle Horse Show
14-Opening "The Crucible" At Porterville College
15-4-H Demonstration Contest
16-Rain Date, Canterbelle Horse Show
16-Dedication County Agriculture Bldg., Visalia
21-Livestock Show, Strathmore FFA
21-22-"Generation" at Barn Theater
28-"Tonight On Broadway"
28-29-"Generation" at Barn Theater

APRIL

1-Kick Off, Cancer Crusade
4-5-"Generation" at Barn Theater
5-Springville Rodeo Queen Coronation Ball
5-Eighth Running of Jackass Mail
11-Dairy Queen Selection, Tulare
12-Western Parade, Springville
12-Western Dance, Springville
12-13-Springville-Sierra Rodeo
19-Tulare County 4-H Dress Review
19-27-Lindsay Orange Blossom Festival
26-27-Springville Art Show

MAY

2-Panther Band Concert
9-Bartlett Band Concert
15-16-17-Porterville Fair
24-Exchange Club Band Breakfast
30-31-Exchange Club Band Breakfast

JUNE

16-21-Western Week
20-21-Porterville Rodeo

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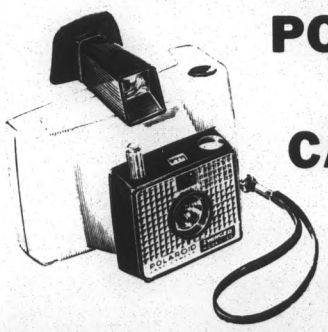

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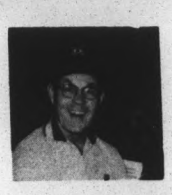

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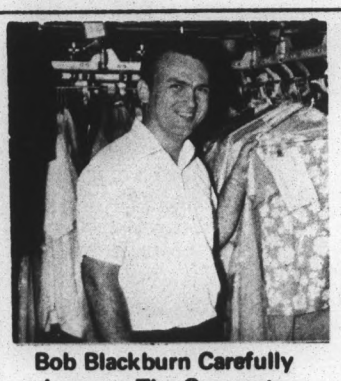

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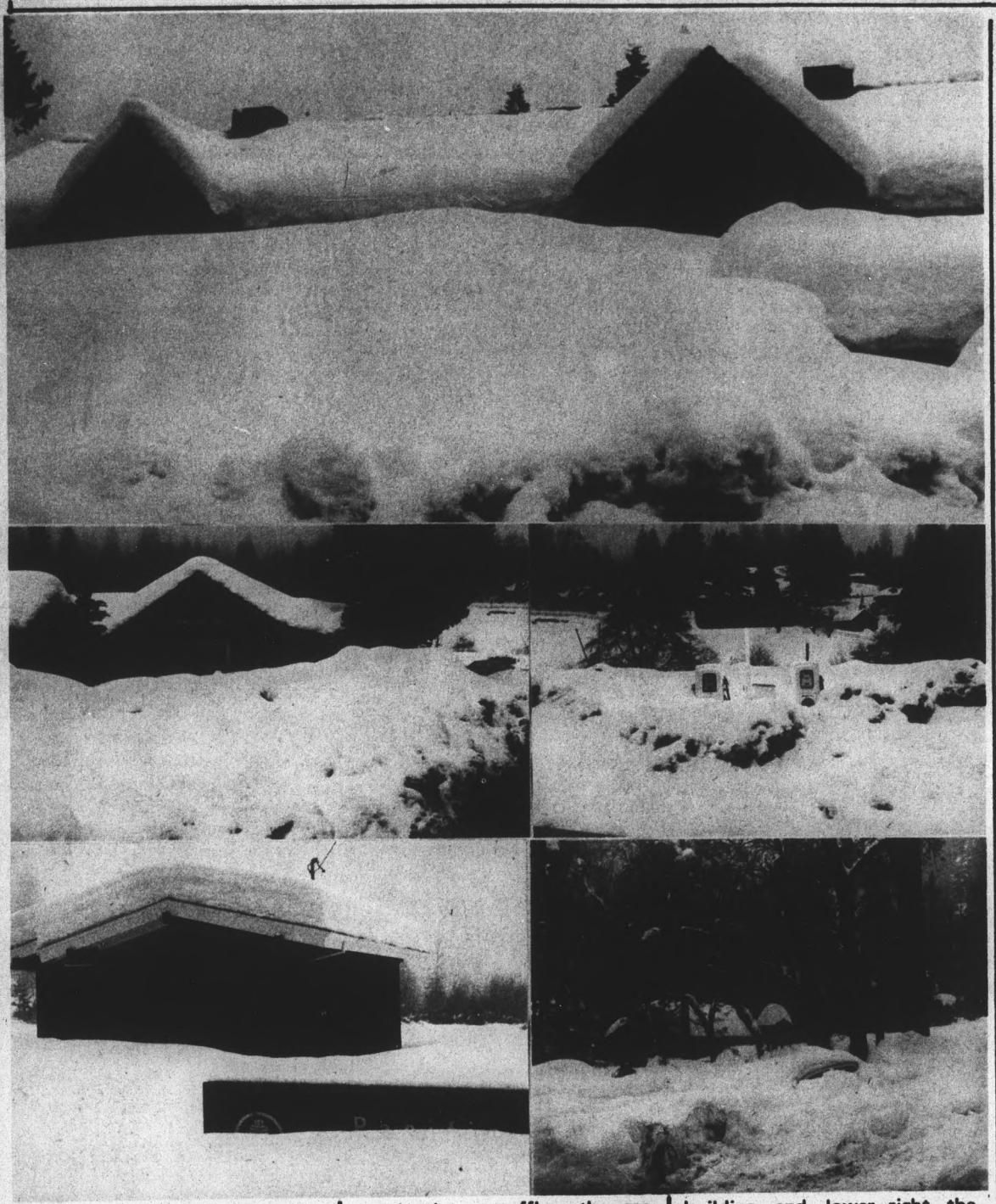

SINCE THE camera never lies, this must be the way Camp Nelson looked last Sunday - the hotel, the postoffice, the gas pumps with the chapel in the background, the telephone building, and, lower right, the mystery picture - find the car. (Hammond Studio photos)

SURVIVAL OF COTTON INDUSTRY QUESTIONED; CONTINUED SUPPORT PROGRAMS SAID NEEDED

TAGUS RANCH - "Today we are faced with the question of the survival of the cotton industry as we have known it," Jack G. Stone, president of the Western Cotton Growers Assn., told a meeting of growers and cotton industry representatives at the Tagus ranch, recently. "And this industry is vital for the whole state and national economy, and not just for agriculture or cotton growers," Stone continued.

"A lot of first grade cotton farmers in California and in the nation are in serious financial trouble. If we lose a major portion of the cotton industry, this valley and the whole cotton belt will be faced with a dislocation of prices, markets and land values, the like of which we have not seen since the great depression.

"And much of the rest of agriculture in this valley, in the cotton belt and even in the non-cotton belt, will feel the shock waves. If millions of acres are forced out of cotton into other crops, markets will be gluted with surpluses, and prices will fall.

"The huge agribusiness complex of manufacturers of machinery, supplies, chemicals, and those who provide financing and transportation and repairs and other services, and their employees, will be hit.

"We just can't tell where the shock waves would stop. Farm indebtedness has doubled in eight years, interest payments have doubled, wages and the cost of machinery and supplies have skyrocketed. Taxes have gone up. American agriculture, and the cotton farmer in particular, are in real serious trouble. It wouldn't take too much to start the down hill slump.

"Our problem is this: We need the price support payments without limitations for the next few years to see if research in the cost of production and development of 100% durable press cotton and other fields will make it possible for us to continue near our present or an increased level.

"We will seek support for this program among all branches of the cotton industry up through the textile mills. We will seek support from other agricultural producers whose markets and incomes would be depressed if thousands of acres of cotton land were forced into production of their commodities. We will seek the support of bankers, implement dealers, fertilizer and chemical distributors, transportation firms, repairmen and others, whose livelihood depends upon a sound agriculture and a healthy cotton industry in this valley," Stone concluded.

AG. BUILDING

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to attend.

The new building, which has been occupied for several months although interior finishing is just now being completed, houses three departments of Tulare County government: the Agricultural Extension service, headed by Sheldon Jackson; the county agricultural commissioner, Elvin O. Mankins; and the county maintenance department, headed by Murrell Twibell.

All three of these department heads are serving on the committee that is planning the dedication ceremony.

Cost of the county agriculture building was $511,933.35. Construction of the building was strongly urged in several grand jury reports, by the Tulare County Farm Bureau, and by other farmer groups.

THEME IS SET FOR FESTIVAL AT LINDSAY

LINDSAY - "Let's Celebrate With Color" has been selected as the theme for the 1969 Lindsay Orange Blossom Festival by the festival executive committee.

In making the selection it was stated that it is one of the themes that will be used during the two-year celebration honoring the 200th birthday of California.

Stan Blue, general chairman, announces excellent progress on the festival plans. Many new and varied activities are being planned for the week.

The festival will be held April 19 through 27 with the Festival parade on Saturday, April 26, beginning at 10 a.m.

CATTLEMAN HEADS COUNCIL OF GROWERS

SANTA BARBARA - Dean Brown, Los Olivos, cattleman, was elected president of the Council of California Growers during that organization's annual meeting in Santa Barbara. He succeeds Carl Samuelson, Ventura citrus industry leader, who retired after heading up the Council of California Growers for the past three years. On the executive committee is Roy McLain, of Visalia.

LEGAL NOTICE

CERTIFICATE OF PARTNERSHIP NAME

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned, GEORGE L. WARDEN and ROBERT J. TUCKER, have formed a partnership and are transacting business as co-partners in the Town of Strathmore, County of Tulare, State of California, under the name of "W. T. Feed Company";

That the full names of all the members of such partnership and their respective places of residence are as follows:

George L. Warden, 17873 Avenue 256, Exeter, California;
Robert J. Tucker, 24740 Avenue 324, Lemon Cove, California;
Dated: February 13, 1969

/s/ GEORGE L. WARDEN
/s/ ROBERT J. TUCKER

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }ss
COUNTY OF TULARE }

On February 13, 1969, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared GEORGE L. WARDEN and ROBERT J. TUCKER, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that they executed the same.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

/s/ GAYLORD N. HUBLER
Notary Public in and for said County and State.
Seal

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Superior Court of the State of California
For the County of Tulare
No. 20111

Estate of
ALFRED R. PEABODY, also known as Alfred Raymond Peabody, and Alfred Peabody, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated January 31, 1969
AVA PEABODY
Administratrix of the Estate of the above named decedent.

Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California 93257
Attorneys for Administratrix
First publication: February 6, 1969

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NOTICE OF HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Tulare County Board of Supervisors will hold a public hearing on March 25, 1969, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., in the Chambers of the Board of Supervisors, Courthouse, Mineral King and Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, California.

The hearing will pertain to Change of Zone as recommended by the Tulare County Planning Commission in its Resolution No. 3286, Change of Zone No. 178-west of Camp Nelson, as requested by Mr. John Lewis of Springville, California, to change the present A-1, Agricultural zone to an R-A, 12.7, Rural Residential zoning with a minimum lot size of 12,700 square feet for all lots within the boundaries of Tentative Subdivision Tract No. 499.

All interested persons may appear and be heard at said time and place.
Dated February 25, 1969.
JAMES E. HOWARD, County Clerk and ex-officio clerk of the Board of Supervisors
By Carol I. Santos, Deputy

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MUSIC FESTIVAL

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good.

All bands and orchestras will perform in the auditorium both Friday and Saturday; vocal groups during the day will perform in the boys' gym; Friday evening choir sessions will be held in the auditorium.

Highlight of the event will be the Fine Arts Festival Saturday night in the Memorial auditorium at 8 p.m., when the honor band, the honor choir and the honor chorus will perform. A donation of $1.00 toward expenses of the festival will be charged at the door.

In the honor groups are the best of the performers in the three categories from the two counties.

During the Saturday night performance, a "Miss Music" from various high schools will be introduced, then, following judging, one will be selected as "Miss Music for Tulare and Kings Counties," to reign for a year.

Guest conductors will be: Vincent Moats, of Reedley college, band; William Hall, of Chapman college, choir; and Thomas Griswold, conductor of the Fresno symphony, orchestra.

Porterville schools' music groups are scheduled to perform as follows: March 7, 8:30 a.m., Monache High band; 5:30 p.m., Porterville High band. March 8, 8:30 a.m., Porterville Rural bands; 10 a.m., Bartlett Junior High band; 11:30 a.m., Porterville North side bands; 12:30 p.m., Pioneer Junior high band. Choral section, March 7, 10:15 a.m., Monache High Boys' chorus; 10:45 a.m., Bartlett Junior High Girls' chorus; 11:15 a.m., Monache High Girls Glee club; 3:15 p.m. Porterville High Girls' Glee club; 9:15 p.m., Porterville High Concert choir.

Strathmore group schedule is: March 7, 9 a.m., Strathmore High band; 1:30 p.m., Strathmore Elementary Girls' Chorus.

Judges for the festival will be: Vocal groups - Paul Mayo, of Glendale college; Phil Ellithorpe, of Woodrow Wilson high in Long Beach; and William Hall, of Chapman college.

Instrumental groups - Tom Egan, San Jose State college; Frank Van Der Master, Pasadena City college; and Don Wilcox, Long Beach State college.

All interested persons are invited to attend the performance of any specific group without charge.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Superior Court of the State of California
for the County of Tulare
No. 20145

Estate of
JAY G. BROWN, Deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257 which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated February 19, 1969.
Robert Donald Baird
Executor of the Will of the above named decedent.

Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California 93257
Telephone: (209) 784-5064
Attorneys for Executor
First publication: February 27, 1969

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Superior Court of the State of California
For the County of Tulare
No. 19965

Estate of
AVY B. LABACHOTTE, also known as A. B. Labachotte and Avy Bernard Labachotte, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated February 11, 1969
Security First National Bank
Richard H. Smith, Trust Officer of the Will of the above named decedent.

Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk
Attorneys at Law
141 East Mill Avenue
Porterville, California
Telephone: 784-5064
Attorneys for Executor
First publication: February 20, 1969

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Superior Court of the State of California
for the County of Tulare
No. 20174

Estate of
HOMER H. RICHARDSON, also known as Homer Richardson and Homer Huston Richardson, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California 93257, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

Dated February 24, 1969
FLORENCE KEITH
Executrix of the Will of the above named decedent

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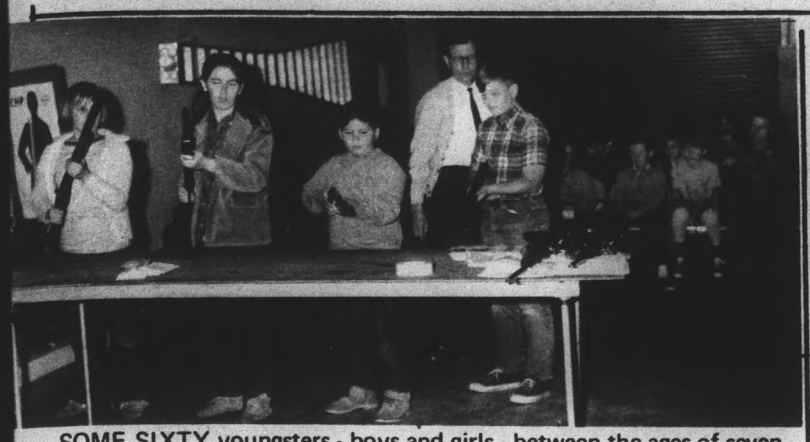
FIVE GIRLS IN FFA

VISALIA - Five girls are now members of the Future Farmer chapter at Redwood High school. This is the first year that girls have been allowed to become FFA members in California.



SOME SIXTY youngsters - boys and girls - between the ages of seven and 14 years are taking a 13-hour course in firearm safety and are also organizing marksmanship teams with B-B guns. Program, sponsored locally by the Porterville Junior chamber of commerce, will be climaxed by selection of a five-member team that will compete in a California B-B gun marksmanship contest, with state winner to move into national competition, which, with the total program, is sponsored by the National Jay Cee organization and the Daisy-Heddon company. In above photo, instruction is being given at the Porterville Armory by Art Thrall, with four youngsters on the line while others seated in back, listen. (Farm Tribune photo)

EDISON COMPANY GIVING SCHOLARSHIPS

PORTERVILLE - Quarter finalists in Southern California Edison Company's College Scholarship program include Mary C. Bonnar, of Porterville High school and Richard L. Short, of Strathmore High school. The Edison company's annual scholarship program offers six $4,000 scholarships in central and southern California, plus a direct grant of $3,000 during the four years at the college attended by winners.

HORSE SHOW

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western equitation, stock horse, English pleasure, English equitation, novice jumper, jumpers, and open jumpers in the show classes.

Gymkhana events include: Pole bending, quadrangle race, figure 8 stake race, barrel race, and key hole race.

Show judge will be Ralph Carter, of Carmel; ring steward will be Jim Lunstad; announcers will be Gene Dinkins and George Hendry. Show chairman is Jack Everett, president of the Canterbelle organization.

Other Canterbelle officers assisting with the show are: Jack Beck, vice president; Mrs. Bob Behunin, secretary; Mrs. Richard Grant, treasurer; Mrs. Tom Cummings, quartermaster; and Joann Woody and Arlin Morris, drillmasters.

The Canterbelles, an all-girl riding group have, for two years, held the California State championship.

The Sunday show will be governed by C.S.H.A. and A.H.S.A. rules; it is a C.S.H.A. junior high point approved show.

NOTE THE gold nugget, lower center, in the cash register of a certain well-known resort along the Emigrant trail. The nugget, in its velvet-lined case, appeared suddenly from no one knows where, then mysteriously disappeared. The 45-ounce chunk of gold, found by the original Bull Run Bob in 1869 along the Kern river at the Whiskey Flat diggings, is believed to have more recently been in the possession of Bull Run Bob, the latter, a character of somewhat doubtful character, who is now the mayor of Whiskey Flat, sometimes referred to in these modern times as Kernville. Rumor has it that the nugget was entrusted to the care and safe-keeping of Bull Run Bob, the mayor, and that certain hot heads in the Kern River valley are plotting a lynching with the Mayor as the

honored guest unless the nugget is returned. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of said nugget is requested to contact Bull Run Bob immediately. His life may depend on it.

RODEO PARADE

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groups, mounted pairs, individual riders and horseless carriages.

In addition to the parade, Springville's rodeo weekend will feature two professional rodeo performances - the afternoons of April 12 and 13, with grand entry at 1:30 p.m. A western dance will be held the night of April 12.

Pre-rodeo events include the crowning of the rodeo queen and her princesses at a Coronation ball the night of April 5, and the running of the Jackass Mail from Porterville to Springville, also on April 5.

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GANG TIM VIOLET

CHINESE NEW YEAR

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Gang Sue opened his first Chinese-American restaurant in the old 500 block on Porterville's Main street some 36 years ago. He moved into a new building at the present location on North Main in 1949, then, a year ago last October, opened the large, colorful addition that includes the Lantern Room and the Golden Dragon room.

Associated with Gang now are his wife, Violet, and his son, Tim.

THE LION

FARMERS HURTING

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"fair," according to the weekly report from the office of Elvin O. Mankins, county agricultural commissioner.

There has been no work in row crop fields for some time. Flooding has been widespread for the last two months and many farms are still under water. There has been no planting of sugar beets since December, and in those fields where a crop was planted, growth is slow.

Mandatory plow-up of cotton acreage as a pink bollworn control measure has "gone by the board" in many cases, since it has been impossible to get equipment into fields.

A "bumper" Navel orange crop has moved slowly because of wet weather and muddy groves. Standard "joke" among growers now is, "The oranges I pick from here on in will be off the ground."

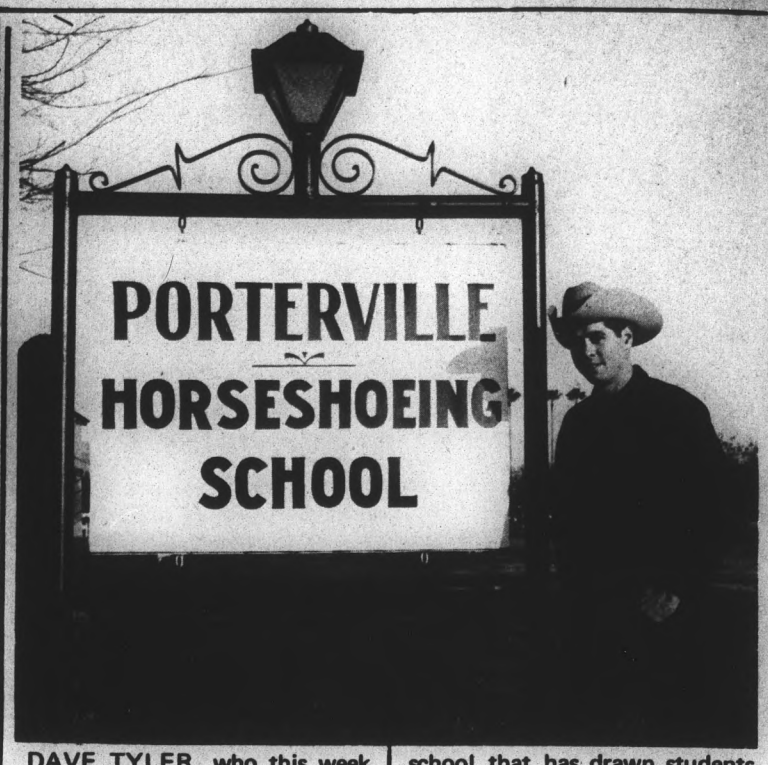
Almonds and early deciduous fruit trees are starting to bloom; pollination by honey bees in almonds has been limited by rain and by cloudy and cold weather.

Heavy rains in the foothills that have caused valley flooding have left water-soaked cattle range with bogs and small land slides. A few days of sunshine, however, would help this situation.

"White caps" that usually start to appear in early February are few and far between; planting of tomatoes was at a standstill last week; ditto for spring potatoes.

With unusually large amounts of snow in the Sierra carrying a high water content, concern is being expressed as to whether or not Success and Terminus dams will hold the heavy runoff that warm spring rains in the mountains could create.

As water continues to pour into the old Tulare lake basin bringing predictions of a hundred sections or more under water before the runoff ends, there is pressure from lake farmers to hold a maximum amount of water back of flood control dams, however, farmers nearer the hills, city officials and urban dwellers want a maximum release from dams to provide as much storage space as possible for spring runoff.



DAVE TYLER, who this week took over as new instructor at the Porterville Horseshoeing school on Henderson avenue. Class No. 19, in this unique school that has drawn students from across the North American continent, got underway Monday.

(Farm Tribune photo)

NEW INSTRUCTOR

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Cal Poly, also taking courses in agricultural engineering and competing on the school Judo team.

In 1967 and 1968 he was assistant instructor in horseshoeing short courses at Pennsylvania State college and at the University of Connecticut, and also served for three months as temporary herdsman at Penn State.

He has worked for some three years as a horseshoer in the Modesto area, and for a year at the G.E. Forge and Tool company in San Luis Obispo, the only firm in the country that produces hand-made farrier tools.

McEwan has moved to southern California where he is associated with a long-established horseshoeing business.

The Porterville Horseshoeing school, established by the late Ralph Hoover who also set up the original horseshoeing curriculum at Cal Poly, is now owned by Mrs. Ralph Hoover.

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Invites You To A
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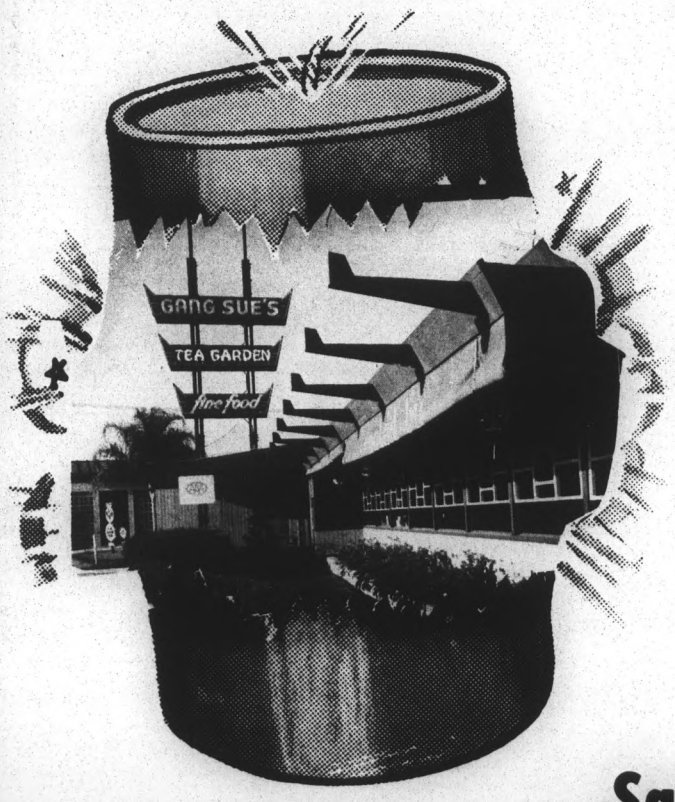

A BANG-UP OF A PARTY

Saturday - March 8 - Fire Cracker Night

Thurs. Mar. 6 — Free gift day — Be sure to bring your Family.
Fri. Mar. 7 — Chinese Gourmet Dinner night 7:00 p.m. Music following. Dancing to the music of Ralph Hays & Bill Ingram.

You'll see the lighting of 5,000 Bangs of fire crackers & Lion Dance 9:00 to 9:30.
Dance following to the Famous Ralph Hays & Bill Ingram Combo.

SUNDAY - MARCH 9 - FREE CHAMPAGNE COCKTAILS - 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

And Besides All This - Our Usual American And Chinese Dinners

Gang Sue's Tea Garden

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The Chinese
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